

DEDICATION OF
AUTRY HOUSE

A MEMORIAL TO
JAMES LOCKHART AUTRY

PRESENTED TO
THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
IN THE DIOCESE OF TEXAS

BY
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"A COMMUNITY HOUSE TO BE USED AND ENJOYED
BY THE STUDENT BODY AND FACULTY OF
RICE INSTITUTE."

NOVEMBER 6, 1921

RT. REV. G. H. KINSOLVING, D.D., BISHOP
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MUSIC UNDER DIRECTION OF MRS. H. M. GARWOOD

"IN HIM SHALL TRUE HEARTS EVERYWHERE
THEIR HIGH COMMUNION FIND.
HIS SERVICE IS THE GOLDEN CORD
CLOSE-BINDING ALL MANKIND,"

—INSCRIPTION OVER THE NORTH DOOR

THE SALUTATION.



GOOD PEOPLE, we have met together at this time to bless this House for the service of Almighty God and for the use of the faculty and students of Rice Institute and the Community in which they live. It has pleased God to teach us in His Holy Word that inasmuch as we render service to even the least of His little ones we have rendered it unto Him and that such dedication to service is acceptable unto Him; we have good hope that this our work will be pleasing in His sight. Let us therefore lift up our prayers and praise to Him, asking that His blessing may rest upon this place, His Spirit guide those who shall herein minister in His Name and that those who worship and play here may draw near to Him at all times with reverence and godly fear:

Let us Pray.

THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O most blessed Saviour, who by Thy gracious presence at the Feast of Dedication didst approve and honor such services as this which we are now performing unto Thee; Be present at This Time also by Thy Holy Spirit and, because holiness becometh Thine house forever, sanctify us, we pray Thee, that we may be living temples, holy and acceptable unto Thee; and so dwell in our hearts by faith and possess our souls by Thy grace, that nothing which defileth may enter into us, but that being cleansed from all carnal and corrupt affections, we may ever be devoutly given to serve Thee in all good works, who art our Saviour, Lord, and God, blessed for evermore. Amen.

FOR THE DONORS.

Blessed be Thy Name, O Lord, that it hath pleased Thee to put into hearts of Thy servants to build this House, a memorial to the blessed memory of James Lockhart Autry, to Thy Glory and for the use of Thy people. Accept, we pray Thee, the offering of Thy servants and remember for good all who have made this work possible. Let Thy blessing rest upon this house, that it may serve the purpose for which it was intended. Grant that here brotherly love and true fellowship may ever abound, and Thy people encourage one another in all good works, to the honor of Thy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FOR THE COMMITTEE.

Blessed, O Lord, the work of thine hands; and grant that all they who with pure intent have given their aid to the raising of this building and equipping it, whensoever they shall call upon Thy Holy Name, may be preserved both in body and soul; through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

FOR AUTRY HOUSE.

We commend this House and all those who shall be guests therein to Thee the owner of it, praying that it may be a place wherein Thou mayest ever dwell in the hearts of Thy Children; that Thou wilt preserve them in all temptations and dangers, that they may live in love one with another, work faithfully according to Thy will; and set forth Thy glory in all things; through Jesus Christ the Great Comrade. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER.

MINISTER—O Lord open thou our lips.

PEOPLE—And our mouth shall show forth Thy Praise.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning is now and evermore
Shall be world without end. Amen.

THE LESSON

Read by Mr. A. D. Batjer President of the Cranmer Club

After the Lesson the choir will sing the ancient hymn of praise:

TE DEUM LAUDAMUS

ADDRESSES

THE STUDENTS HOUSE—

Mr. E. R. Duggan, Rice '22, President of the Student Council of Rice Institute.

JUDGE JAMES LOCKHART AUTRY—The Memorial Address.

Rev. Peter Gray Sears, D.D., Rector of Christ Church.

VOCAL SOLO.

REMARKS—

Rt. Rv. G. H. Kinsolving, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Texas.

Hymn 261—Jesus Shall Reign.

Then the Bishop shall say—

Our Help is in the Name of the Lord.

Who Hath Made Heaven and Earth.

Let us Pray.

THE DEDICATORY PRAYER.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, who art the Chief Corner Stone of Thy Church: Bless this Building which is now completed in Thy Name, and grant that it may tend to promote Thy glory, and the welfare of Thy people in this place. Fill those who shall frequent it with a spirit of love towards Thee, and towards all men. Within these walls may harsh thoughts be ever subdued, and unkind words unspoken, and may those who here shall learn the way of Thy statutes, walk before Thee with a perfect heart, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR THE DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE.

Almighty God, Our Heavenly Father, Whose Blessed Son came into the world to proclaim peace and good will to men: Have compassion, we beseech Thee, upon Thy children, who are sore oppressed with strife, confusion, and discord. Let the sacrifice of our sons and brothers on fields of blood plead with Thee for the restoration of peace and quietness upon the earth. Send Thy Holy Spirit to kindle in the minds and hearts of rulers and statesmen the sense of their obligation to mankind, that war may be abolished, that armaments may cease, and that men of all nations and races may dwell together in unity and concord, to the glory of Thy name and the salvation of the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, to Whom with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be honor and glory, now and forevermore. Amen.

O God of all Nations, look down, we beseech Thee, upon us who ask Thy help and blessing. Sustain in us the spirit of justice and humanity. Enable us to recognize in other peoples and races their virtues, traditions, and just rights. Cultivate in us more fully the love of the arts of peace: train us in habits of self-command and simplicity. And so purge our hearts of suspicion of others and increase a confidence in our brethren, that we may keep our place among the Nations in peace and good will. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O God, who art the Father of all, and who alone makest men to be of one mind in a house, we beseech Thee, at this time of strife and unrest, to grant to us, by the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, a fuller realization of our brotherhood, man with man in Thee. Allay all anger and bitterness, and deepen in us a sense of truth and equity in our dealings one with another; for the sake of Thy Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

FOR THE MISSIONARY CENTENNIAL.

O God, Heavenly Father, Who would have all men to be saved and come to the knowledge of the Truth; We give Thee thanks and praise for the service Thy Church has rendered to mankind, and especially for the missionary progress of the past one hundred years. Glorious art Thou, O Lord God, and wonderful is the grace and virtue which Thou hast manifested in the lives of Thy saints, who have carried the Gospel to the people of all lands. Grant us, we pray Thee, such a measure of their faith and power, that we may serve Thee acceptably in our generation, and that, in Thy good time, all nations may be saved and the earth be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the seas; Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, to Whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

PRAYER FOR RICE INSTITUTE.

Almighty God, who hast created man in Thine own image and made him a living soul that happily he may seek after Thee and find Thee and have dominion over Thy creatures, send Thy blessing upon this University, The Rice Institute. Grant to the President and all in authority, love, grace and wisdom to rule justly. Give to those who teach knowledge and skill: and to those who learn a willing and teachable spirit. Give to all both teachers and learners the guidance of Thy Holy Spirit that whether they study the works of Thy hands, or learn to subdue the earth for the use of man, or train the reason for Thy service, they may seek Thy glory in all things; learning to serve Thee truly through service to their fellowmen for His sake who went about teaching and doing good, Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

A MEMORIAL PRAYER.

Almighty and ever-living God, we yield unto Thee most high praise and hearty thanks for the wonderful grace and virtue declared in all Thy saints, who have been the choice vessels of Thy grace, and the lights of the world in their several generations, most humbly beseeching Thee to give us grace so to follow the example of their steadfastness in Thy faith, and obedience to Thy Holy Commandments, that at the day of the general Resurrection, we, with all those who are of the mystical body of Thy Son, may be set on His right hand, and hear that His most joyful voice: Come ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

THE BLESSING.

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Hymn 176—For all Thy Saints, who from their labours rest.